



Interaction between wheat cis- and trans-factors in shaping regulatory networks related to evolution and adaptation



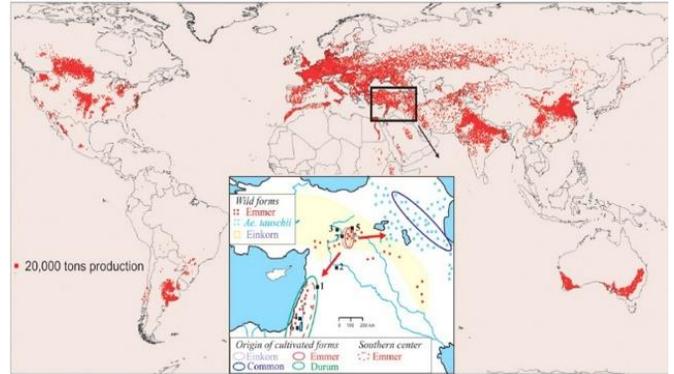
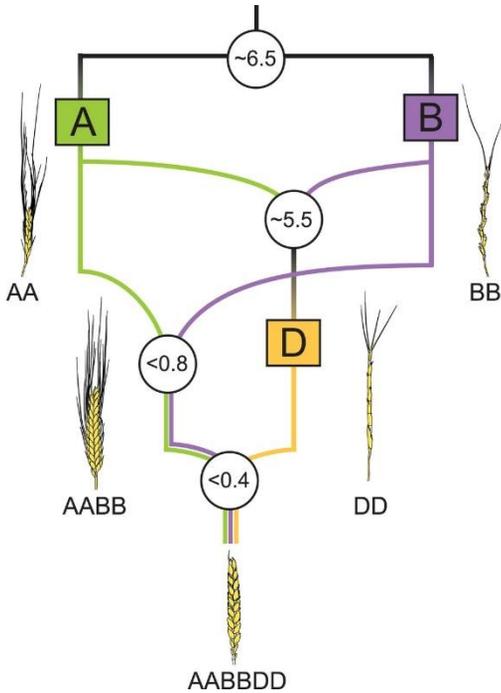
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Origination and spread of common wheat



Polyploid wheat
High adaptability

Genome plasticity and success of polyploid

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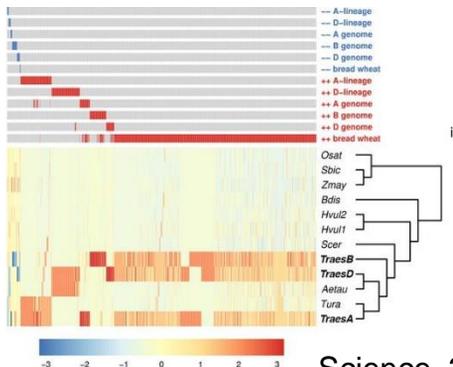
Genome Plasticity a Key Factor in the Success of Polyploid Wheat Under Domestication

Jorge Dubcovsky* and Jan Dvorak

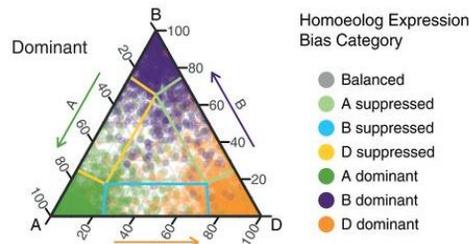


Science, 2007

Subgenome specific gene family expansion and transcription



Science, 2018a



Science, 2018b

Plasticity: gene sequence vs. gene regulation



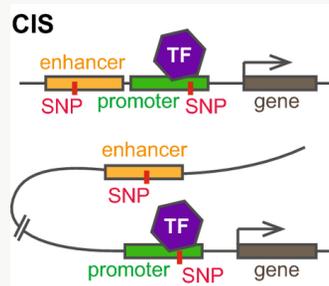
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Cis- and trans-regulation

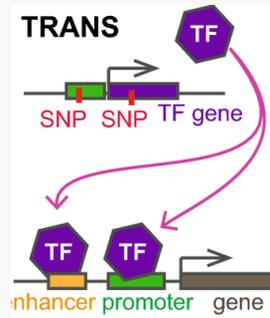
Cis-elements

- Promoter
- Enhancer

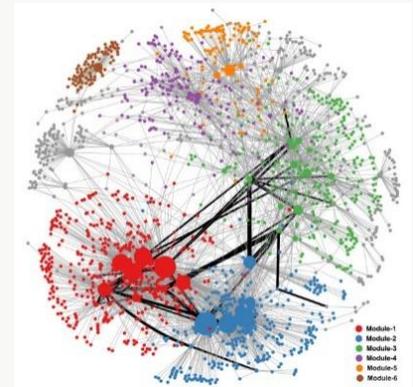


Trans-acting factors

- Transcription factor
- Epigenetic factor

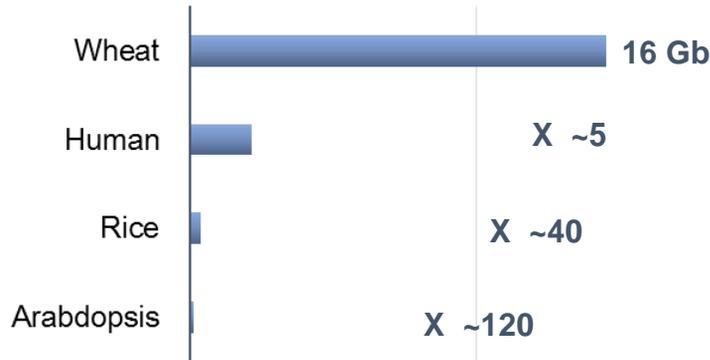


Regulatory network



Challenge: large and complex genome

Genome size



Arabidopsis

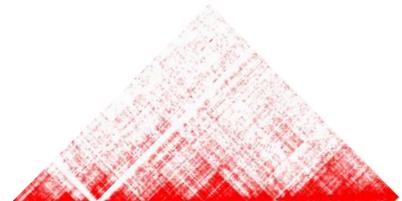


10 kb genome window in Arabidopsis

Wheat



1000 kb genome window in wheat



chr1A :40M-50M
Abundant distant regulation

Epigenomic Strategies

➤ **Detecting cis-elements and subgenome divergent regulation**

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➤ **Profiling trans-factor binding**

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Cis-elements and subgenome divergent regulation

1、 Identify regulatory elements (REs)

Challenge: large genome size

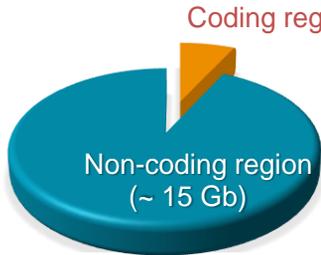
2、 Construct regulatory network

Challenge: assign target gene to enhancer

3、 Detect subgenome regulatory divergence

Challenge: integration of multi-omics data

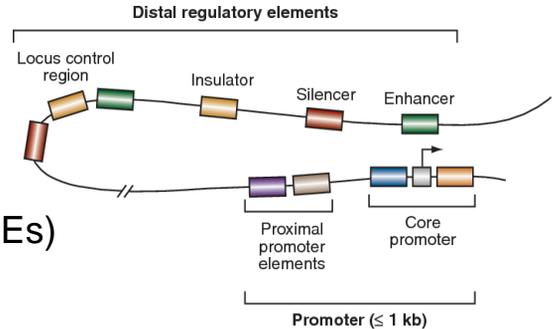
1. Define DNA regulatory elements: principle



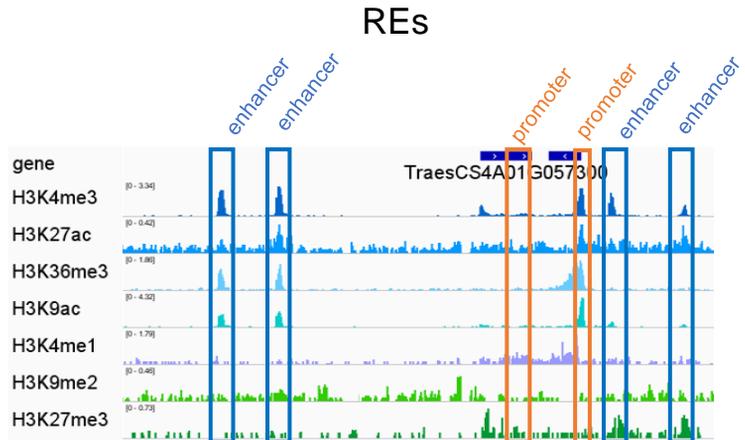
Functional gene



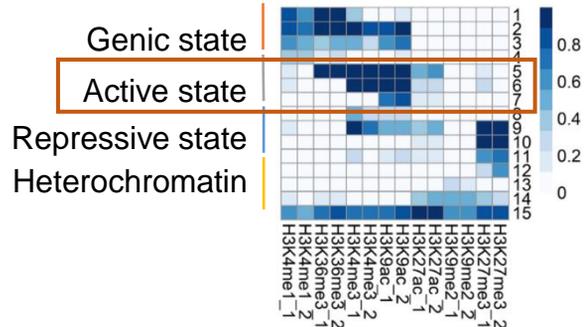
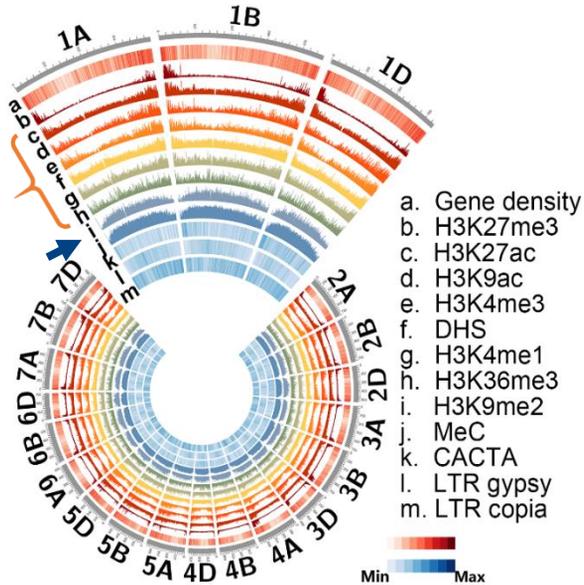
Regulatory elements (REs)



Define REs based on combinatorial histone marks



1. Define DNA regulatory elements



Histone modification: ChIP-seq

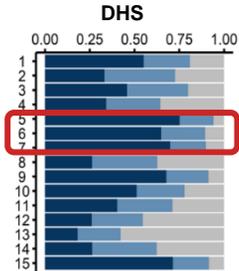
Chromatin accessibility: DHS-seq (DNase I-hypersensitive site sequencing)

DNA methylation: BS-seq

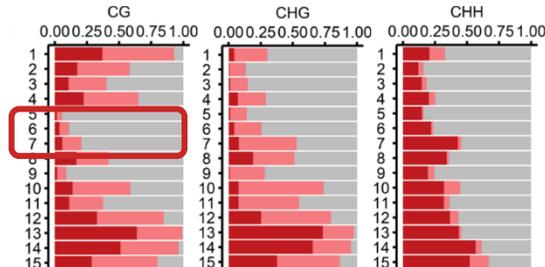
Genome Biology (2019)

Sequence and epigenetic features of REs

Open chromatin

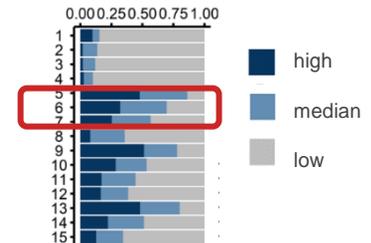


DNA methylation



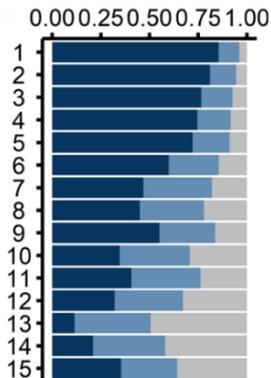
high median low

CpG island

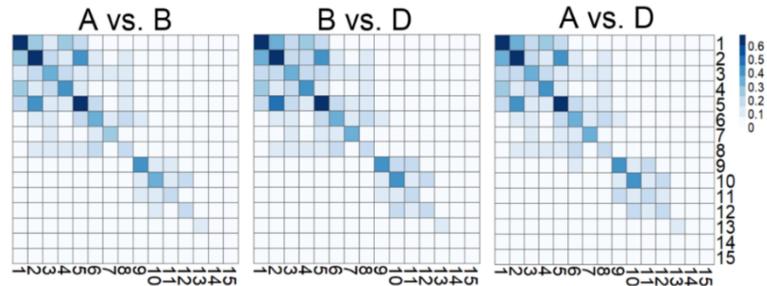


high
median
low

Sequence conservation



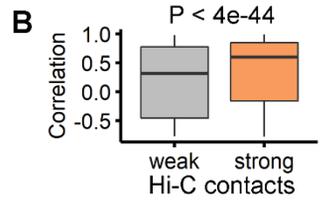
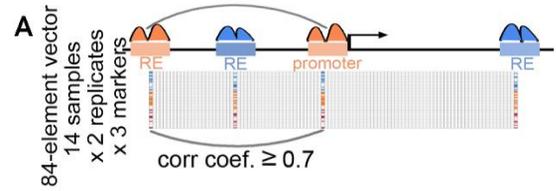
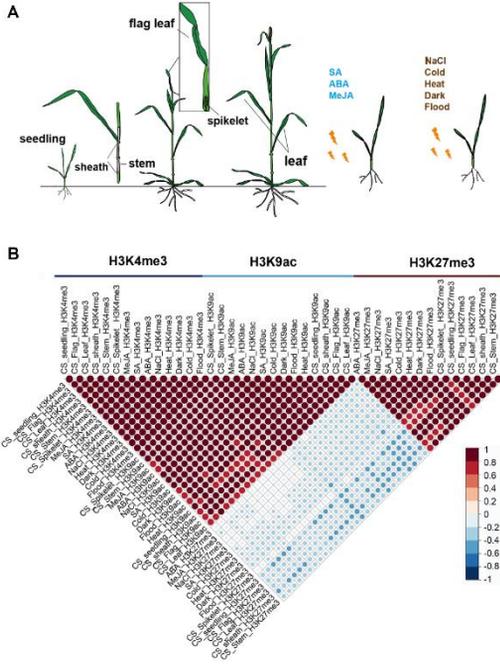
Epigenetic conservation



Sequence and epigenetic conservation

→ Functional importance

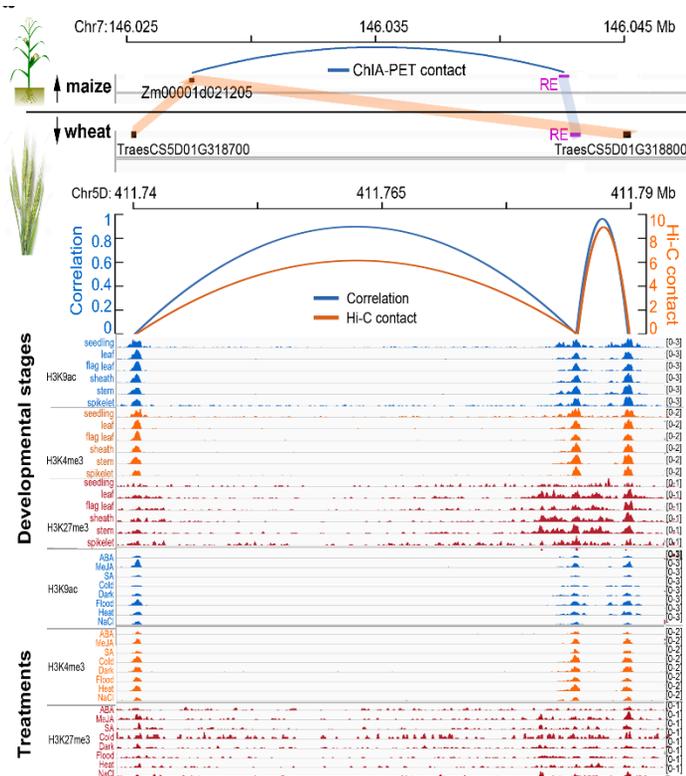
2. Assign target gene to enhancer: principle



Assign target to enhancers via correlating epigenetic patterns with promoters

- Correlation based: functional interaction
- Hi-C based: physical interaction

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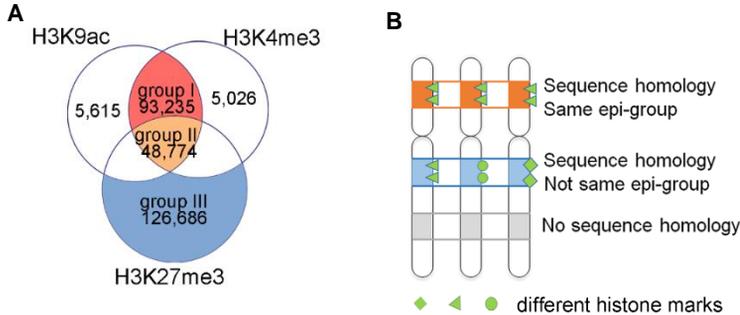


A total of 79,501 genes targeted by 223,976 distal REs

The Plant Cell (2021)

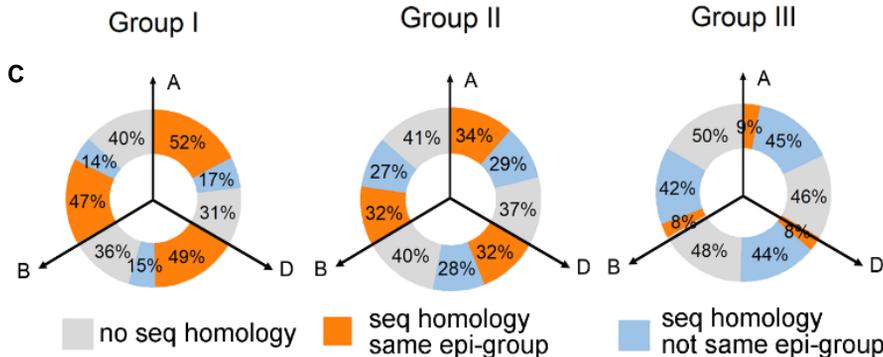
3. Subgenome divergent regulation

epi-groups of RE



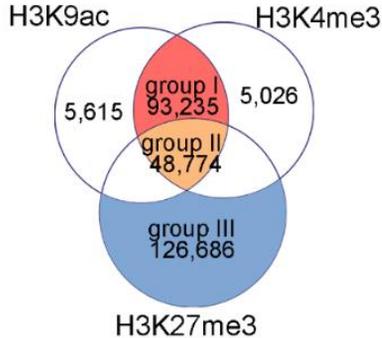
Epi-group III

- Marked by H3K27me3 only
- Preferentially localized to subgenome divergent regions

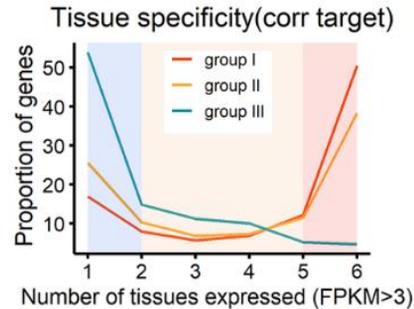


3. Subgenome divergent regulation: tissue specificity

Subgenome divergent REs target spikelet-specific genes



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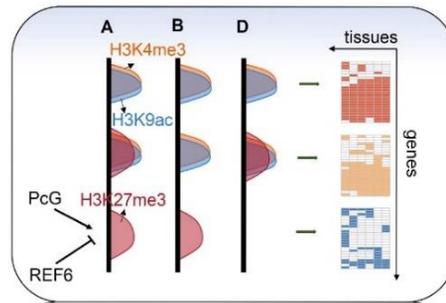


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fraction of group III target genes expressed in one tissue

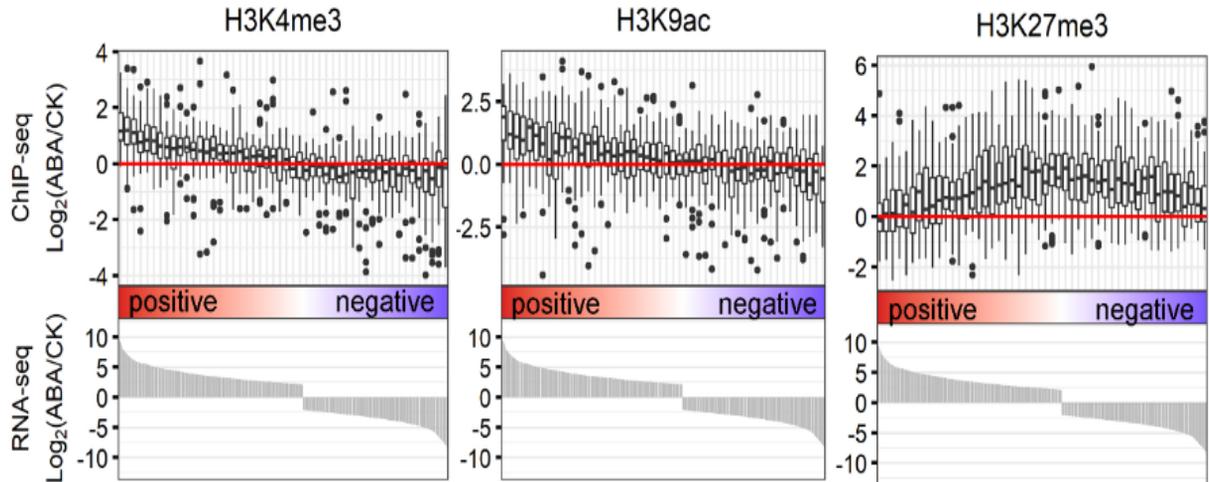


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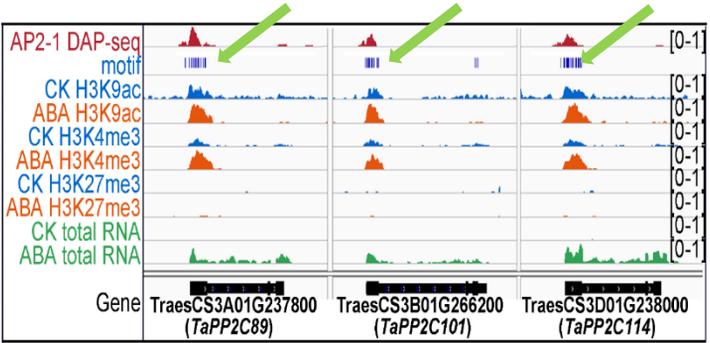
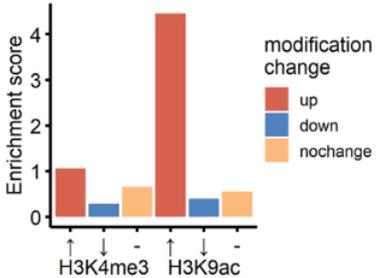
H3K4me3 and H3K9ac positively associated with stress responses



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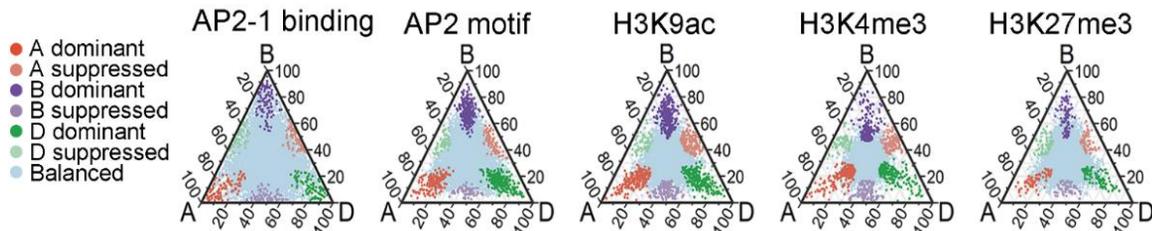
Predict stress responsive cis- and trans-elements based on quantitative epigenomic changes

AP2-1 binding enrichment

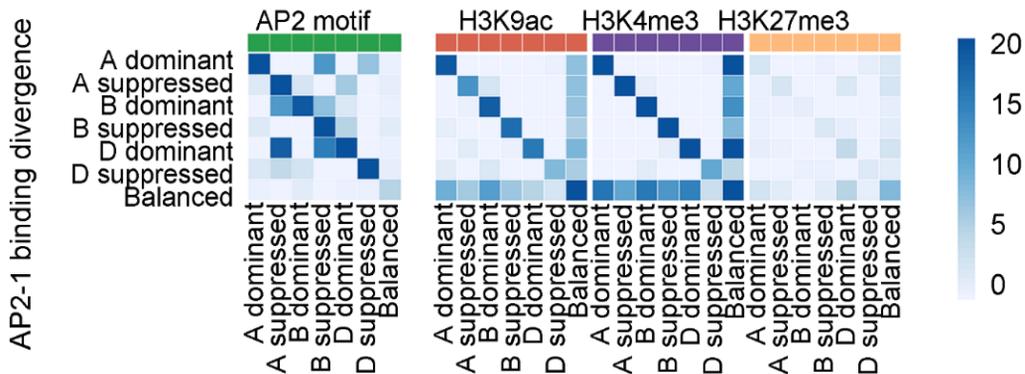


Quantitative association of subgenome divergent epigenetic modification, cis-element density, AP2 binding, epigenetic marks

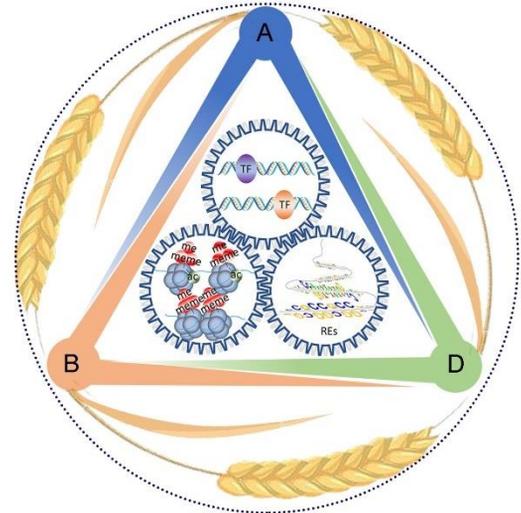
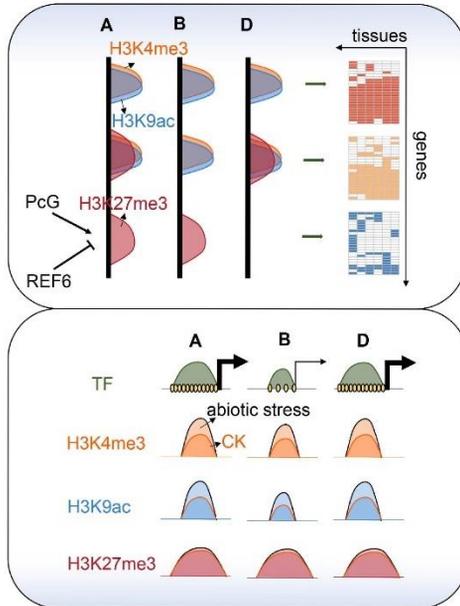
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Coordinated divergence



Model



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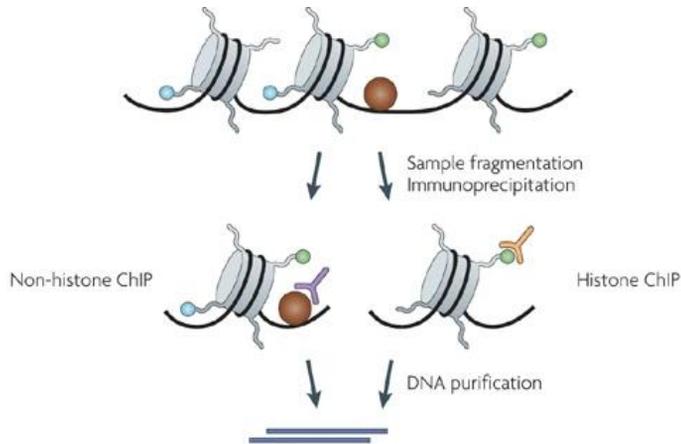
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Strategies detecting trans-regulation

ChIP-seq vs. DAP-seq



ChIP-seq:

In vivo TF or tag antibody

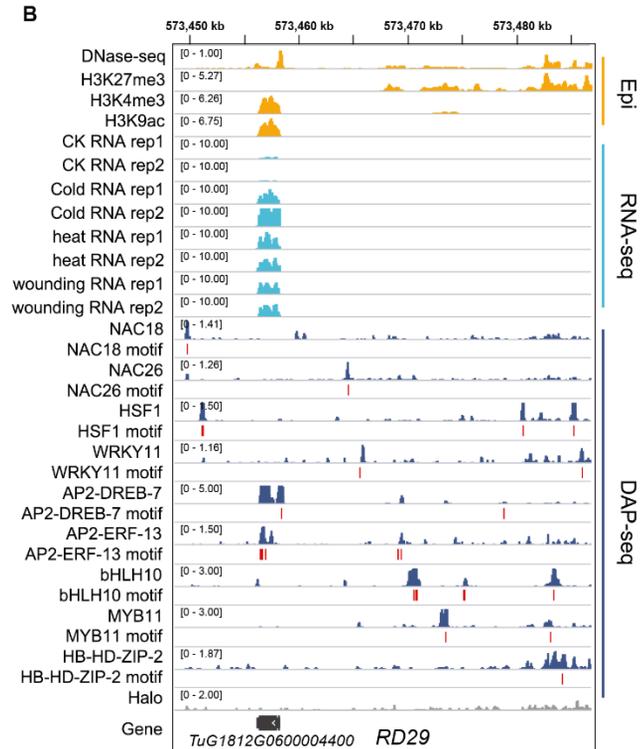
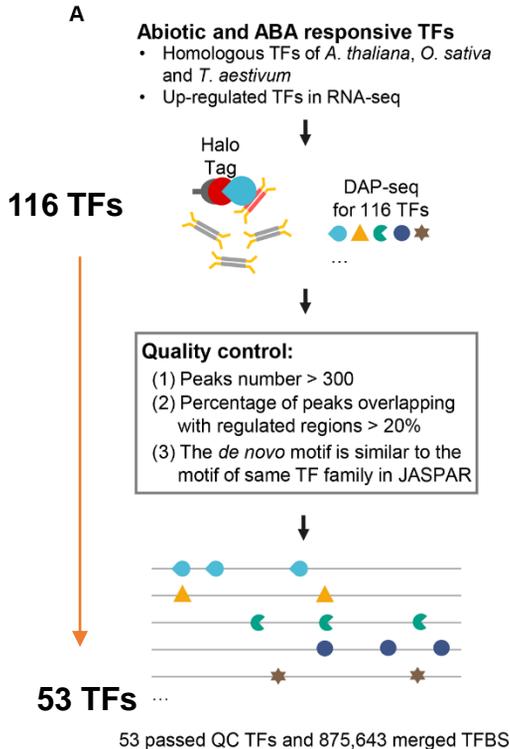
Depending on antibody or transgenic line

DAP-seq:

In vitro expressed TF-tag

Bartlett et al. Nat Protoc 2017

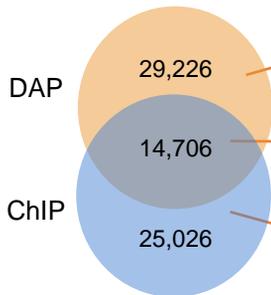
DAP-seq profiling of responsive TFs



DAP-seq vs. ChIP-seq

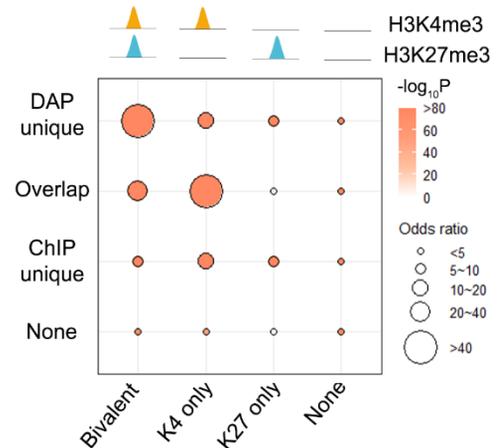
Enrichment of DAP-seq peaks in bivalent chromatin regions

AP2-DREB-7



De novo motif

DAP unique	 Value = 3.4×10^{-6622}
Overlap	 Value = 8.1×10^{-2206}
ChIP unique	 Value = 2.4×10^{-187}
None	No motif

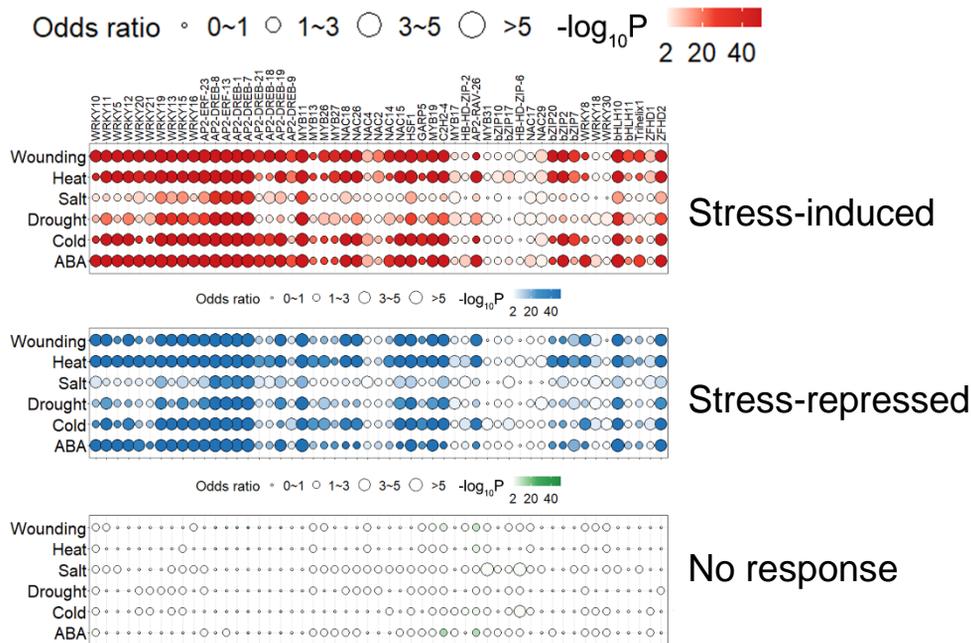


DAP-seq

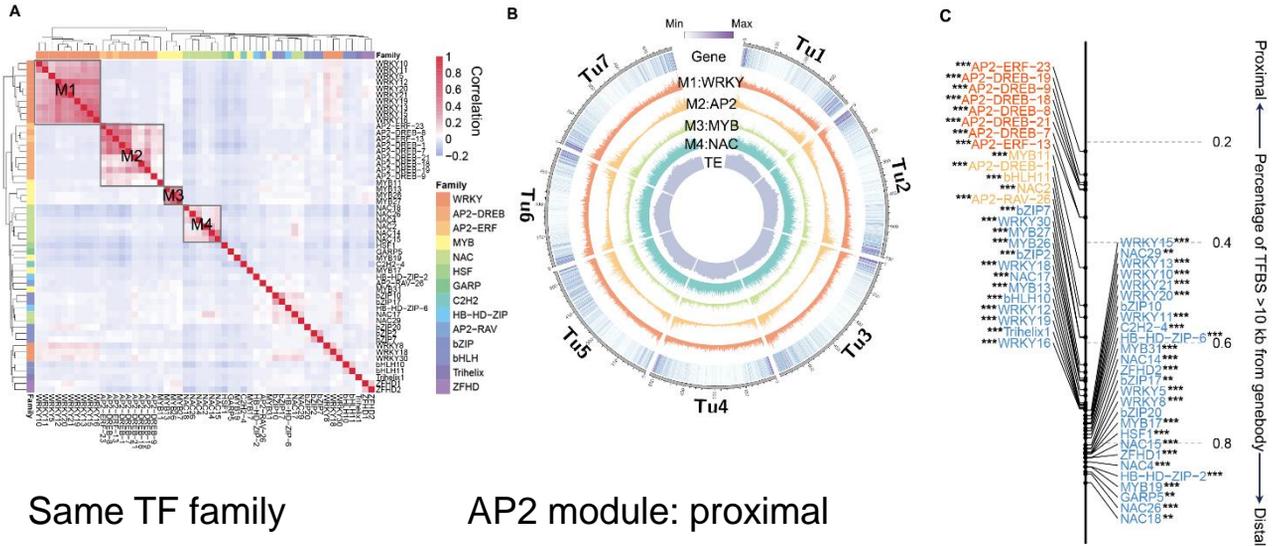
- binding potential
- "prepared" for changes

TFBS preferentially target stress response genes

Enrichment of TF targets (<10 kb) in stress-responsive genes



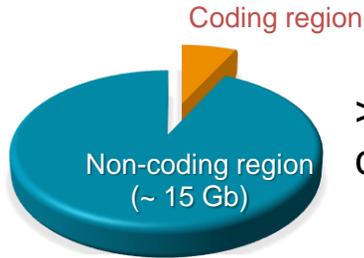
Gene-proximal and distal TF clusters



Same TF family
Same binding cluster

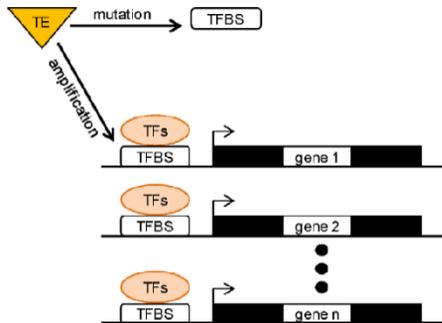
AP2 module: proximal
NAC module: across the chromosomes

TE burst in Triticeae



>80% non-coding region
composed of TEs and repeats

Function?



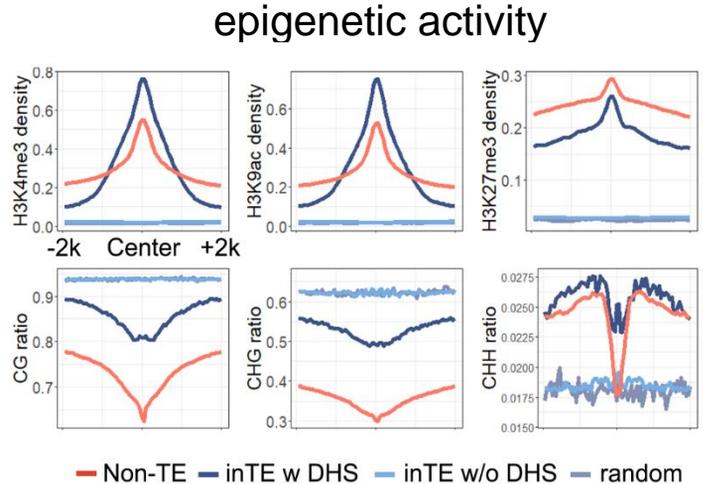
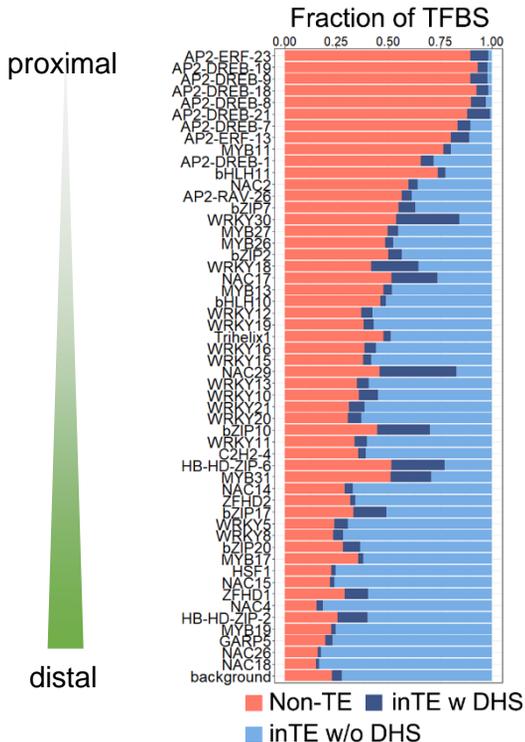
TE-derived transcription factor binding

- **Extent?**
- **Evolutionary process?**

Review by Wei et al, 2015, Science China

Jordan et al, Genome Biol. 2020

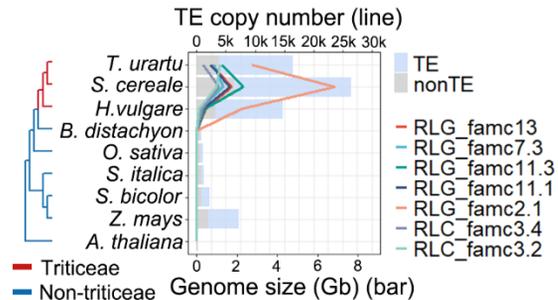
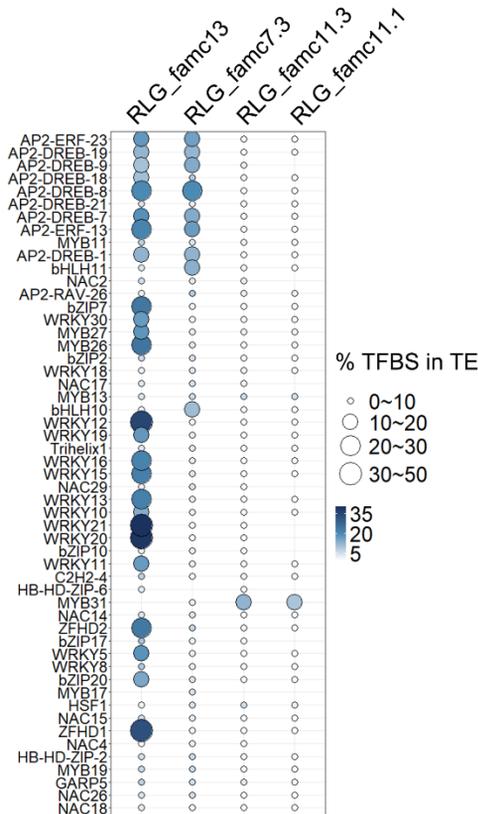
Gene distal TFBS preferentially embedded in TEs



40,807 TFBS inTE w DHS

regulatory epigenetic signature

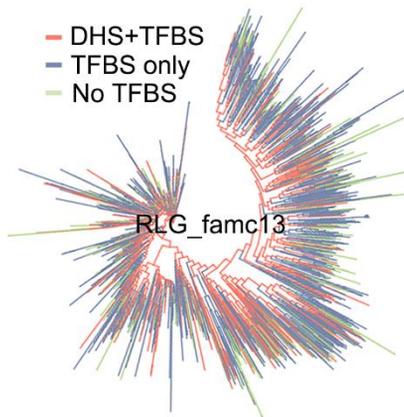
Specific TE subfamily contributed to TF binding



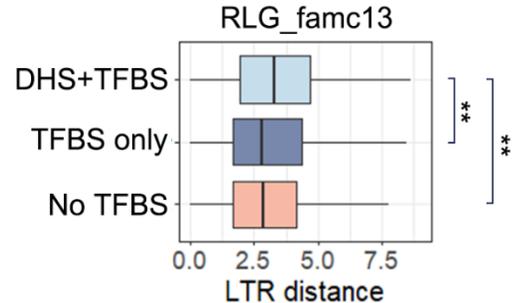
- LTR-Gypsy family 13 is the largest contributor
- majority TE-embedded binding are Triticeae specific

TE-embedded TFBS are relatively ancient

No single origin

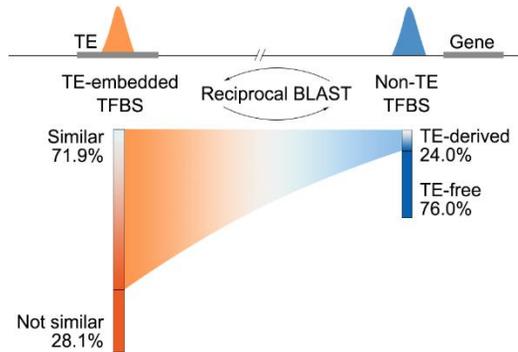


TE-TFBS in DHS are ancient



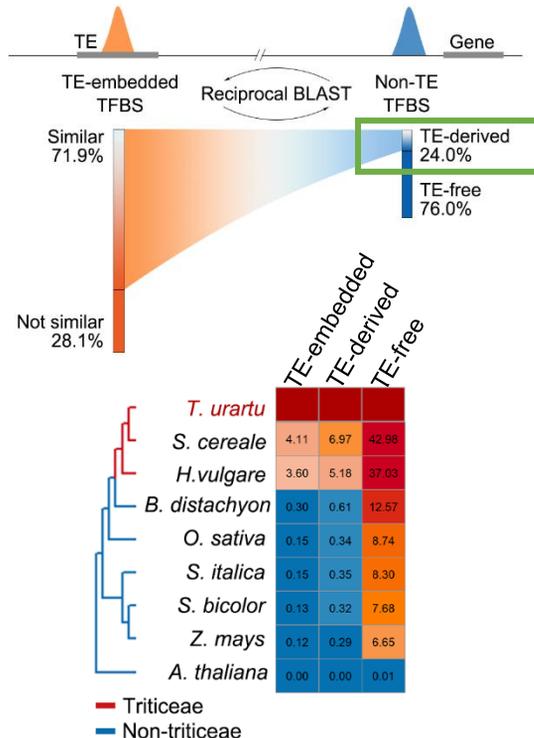
The degeneration of TEs subjected to a long-term evolutionary selection to evolve to TFBS

nonTE TFBS derived from TE-embedded TFBS



reciprocal sequence comparison
TE-embedded TFBS
vs. non-TE TFBS

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reciprocal sequence comparison

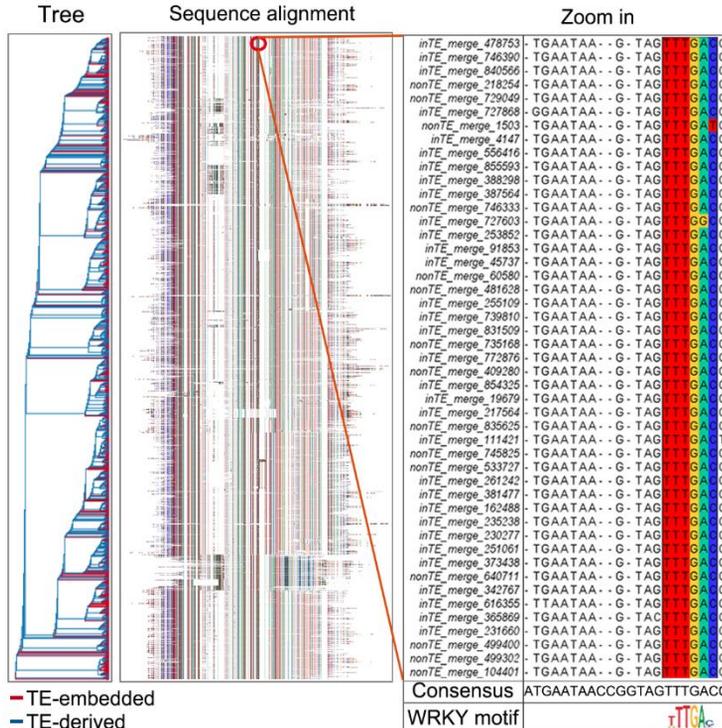
TE-embedded TFBS

vs. non-TE TFBS

Triticeae-specific
transposition and expansion

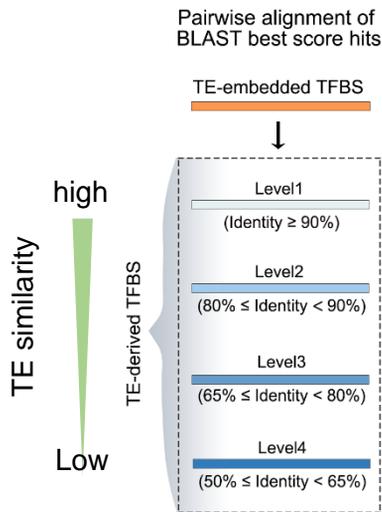
nonTE TFBS derived from TE-embedded TFBS

Alignment of homologous TE-embedded and TE-derived TFBS

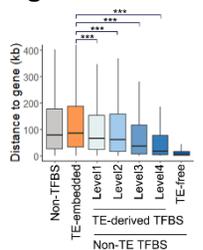


Ongoing spread of TE-embedded TFBS to non-TE TFBS

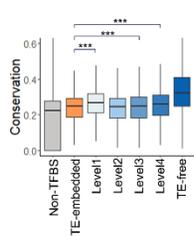
TEs contribute to ongoing regulatory expansion



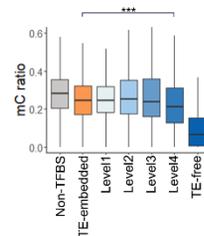
gene distance



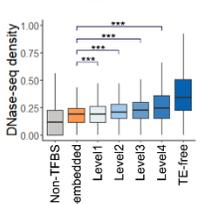
conservation



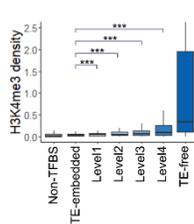
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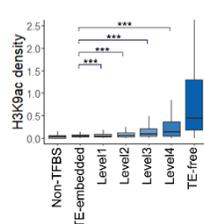
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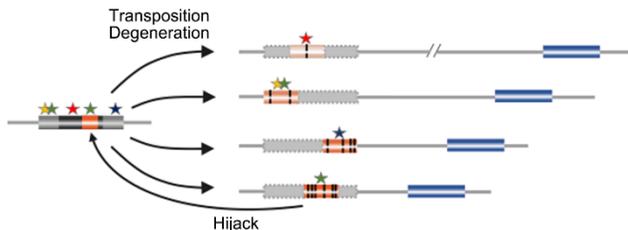
H3K4me3



H3K9ac



Rewiring of the gene regulatory network by TE-derived TFBS



LTR
 TE body
 Degenerated TE
 Stress-responsive genes

Regulated element
 Regulatory ability
 ★★☆☆ TFBS

TEs rewired the regulatory network

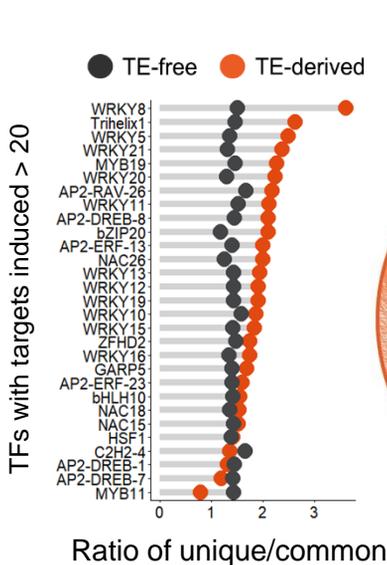
Wheat response genes

41%

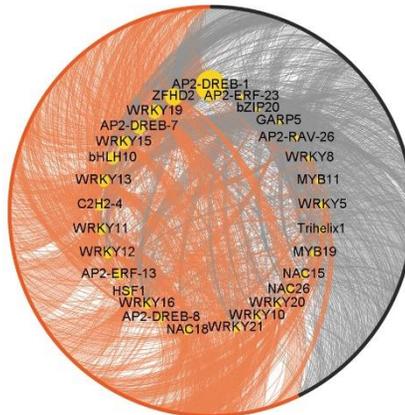
59%

wheat-rice common
response genes

wheat unique
response genes



- transcription factor
- wheat-rice common targets
- wheat unique targets



Incorporation of new stress-responsive genes by TE-derived TFBS

Summary

1. Detecting cis-elements and subgenome divergent regulation

- Coordination between REs, epigenetic factors, and transcription factors in regulating subgenome divergence
- Quantitative epigenomic strategies applied for mechanism study

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2. Profiling trans-factor binding

- High plasticity of the wheat stress response regulatory network
- Importance of TEs in promoting ongoing regulatory innovation

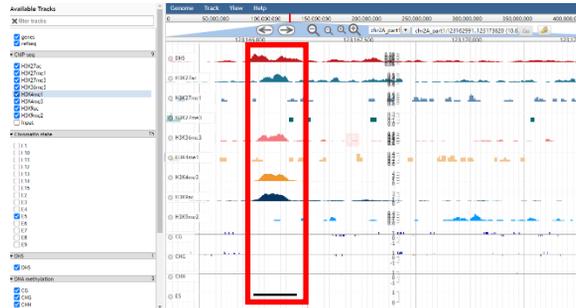
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Data resource 1

Detecting cis-elements and subgenome divergent regulation

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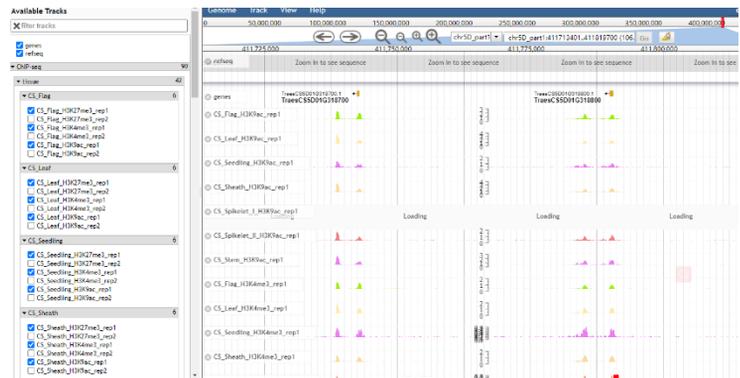
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		spikelet II				
		stem				
		NaCl				RNA-seq
		Cold				
		Dark				
Flood						
Heat						
MeJA	total RNA					
ABA						
SA						
/	/	seedling	/	DAP-seq	AP2-1-A	
					AP2-1-D	
/	/	/	/	/	Halo	



RE-target genes

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Data resource 2

Profiling trans-factor binding

http://119.78.67.240/dap-seq_Tu_jbrowse/

species	varieties	issues	treatments	sequencing types	details													
Triticum urartu	G1812	seedling		DAP-seq	AP2-14	B3-10	bZIP11	C2C2-4	HB-HD-ZIP-2	MYB16	MYB30	NAC14	NAC8	WRKY18				
					AP2-15	bHLH10	bZIP17	C2C2-5	HB-HD-ZIP-3	MYB17	MYB31	NAC15	NAC9	WRKY19				
					AP2-DREB-1	bHLH11	bZIP2	C2H2-4	HB-HD-ZIP-6	MYB18	MYB32	NAC17	NF-YC-1	WRKY20				
					AP2-DREB-18	bHLH12	bZIP20	C3H-1	HSF1	MYB19	MYB33	NAC18	SBP3	WRKY21				
					AP2-DREB-19	bHLH13	bZIP3	C3H-2	LOB2	MYB2	MYB34	NAC2	Trihelix1	WRKY20				
					AP2-DREB-21	bHLH14	bZIP4	C3H-5	LOB3	MYB20	MYB36	NAC22	WRKY10	WRKY5				
					AP2-DREB-7	bHLH16	bZIP5	GARP2	LOB5	MYB21	MYB6	NAC23	WRKY11	WRKY8				
					AP2-DREB-8	bHLH2	bZIP7	GARP5	MYB11	MYB22	NAC1	NAC24	WRKY12	ZFH14				
					AP2-DREB-9	bHLH5	bZIP8	GARP6	MYB12	MYB23	NAC10	NAC26	WRKY13	ZFH12				
				AP2-ERF-13	bHLH7	C2C2-1	GARP-G2-1	MYB13	MYB24	NAC11	NAC27	WRKY14						
				AP2-ERF-23	bZIP1	C2C2-2	GRAS2	MYB14	MYB26	NAC12	NAC29	WRKY15						
				AP2-RAV-26	bZIP10	C2C2-3	Halo_merge	MYB15	MYB27	NAC13	NAC4	WRKY16						
				ABA	/	ChIP-seq	H3K27me3											
							H3K27me3											
							AP2-DREB-7											
				ABA	/	DNase-seq	H3K4me3											
							H3K9ac											
				/	/	BS-seq												
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